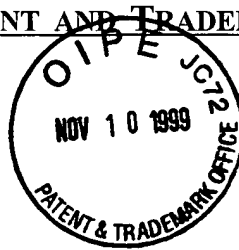


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Carlson et al.
Assignee: Maxtor Corporation
Title: DISK DRIVE WITH IMPROVED TECHNIQUES FOR
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 22, 1999, Applicant hereby elects claims 87-106 (Group V).

Applicant presumes that the five-way restriction requirement is as follows:

<u>Claims</u>	<u>Group</u>
47-56	I
57-66	II
67-76	III
77-86	IV
87-106	V

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner confirm the claim groupings in the next written communication.

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